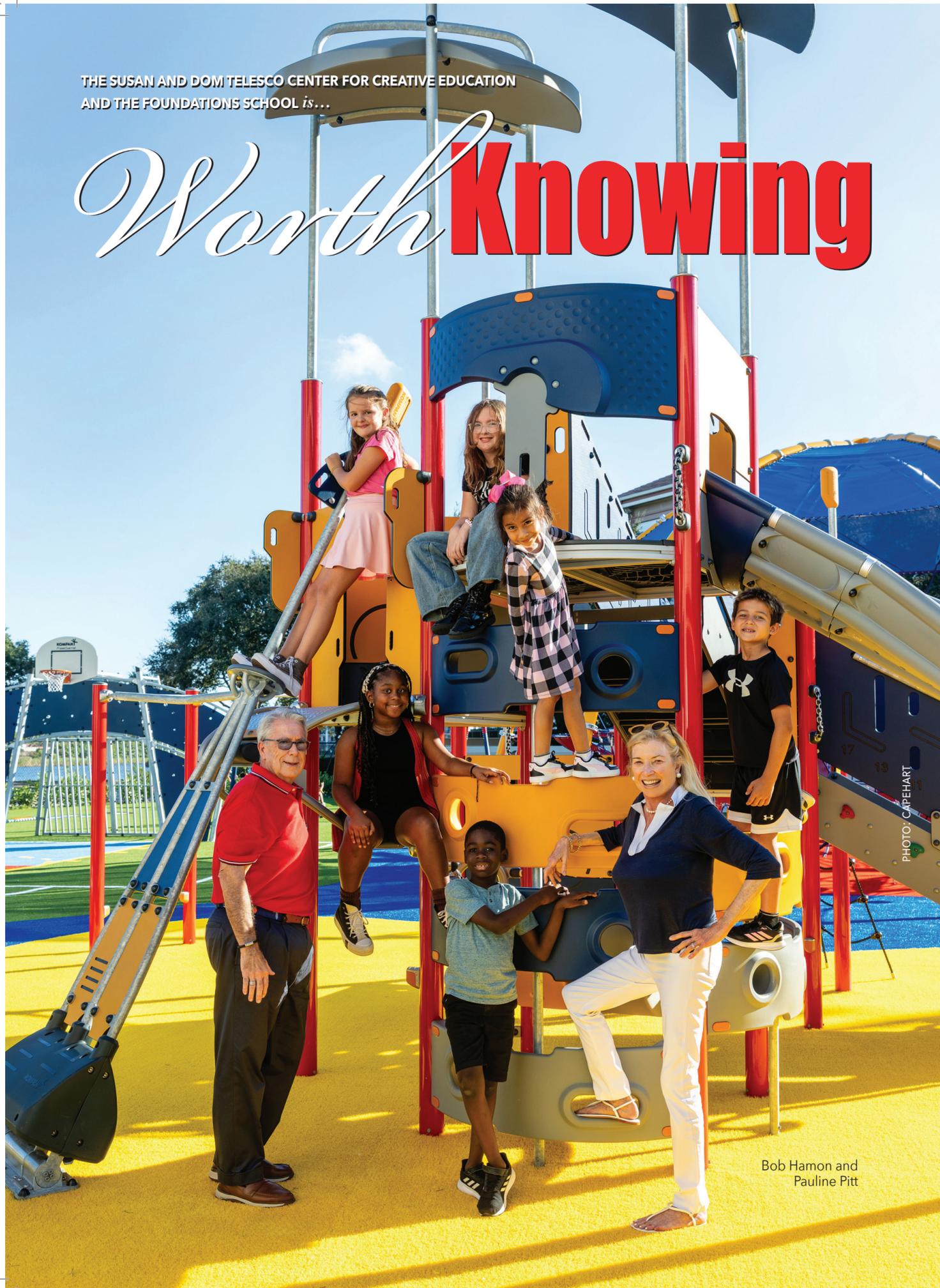


THE SUSAN AND DOM TELESKO CENTER FOR CREATIVE EDUCATION
AND THE FOUNDATIONS SCHOOL *is...*

Worth Knowing



Bob Hamon and
Pauline Pitt

CAN YOU TELL OUR READERS ABOUT THE SUSAN AND DOM TELESKO CENTER FOR CREATIVE EDUCATION AND THE FOUNDATIONS SCHOOL?

Bob Hamon, President and CEO of The Susan and Dom Telesko Center for Creative Education (CCE)

CCE leads an educational movement redefining how children and families prepare for success. One of our four pillars, The Foundations School, is a K-5 independent lab school combining academics with creativity, family engagement, and social-emotional growth. We serve students from diverse and often under-resourced backgrounds and show that when children receive personalized attention, high expectations, and a nurturing environment, they thrive. Teachers integrate the arts into daily instruction to make learning joyful, while families play an active role in progress.

Susan Telesko, CCE Board of Directors

My husband Dom and I have always believed every child deserves a chance to flourish. Supporting CCE and The Foundations School has shown us that when innovation and heart come together, lives change. This school shows what happens when educators teach creatively and children believe in themselves. The impact extends beyond the classroom it shapes futures, families, and communities.

CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT YOUR UPCOMING "THANKS FOR GIVING" LUNCHEON?

Jonathon Ortiz-Smykla, Chief Advancement Officer

Our *Thanks for Giving* Luncheon is one of the year's most meaningful gatherings. On December 4th, guests will join us on campus to celebrate the generosity and vision of those who make our work possible. This year's program features a student-led Q&A with Town of Palm Beach Mayor Danielle H. Moore, moderated by Rena Blades, Philanthropic and Cultural Arts Sector Leader. The discussion will highlight civics and government topics our 4th- and 5th-grade students are studying. It's a great example of how The Foundations School connects learning to real-world experiences.

We'll also dedicate our new playground, a major investment in safe, active, and joyful learning. Naming opportunities will be unveiled at the luncheon. The event lets supporters experience the creativity and transformation happening at The Foundations School.

WHAT OTHER SERVICES DOES THE SUSAN AND DOM TELESKO CENTER FOR CREATIVE EDUCATION PROVIDE?

Bob Hamon

While The Foundations School is one pillar, CCE's reach extends beyond one campus. Through the Karakul-Held Academy, we deliver enrichment, after-school, and kindergarten-readiness programs to more than 4,000 children across Palm Beach County. Our *Blue Planet Global Education* program connects classrooms worldwide, fostering cultural understanding and problem-solving aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

Through DePorres P.L.A.C.E. (Personal Literacy And Continuing Education), our Adult Literacy Center, we offer free literacy and ESOL tutoring for adults many parents of the children we serve. Together, these programs uplift families and strengthens communities.

WHAT CAN GUESTS EXPECT AT THE EVENT?

Pauline Pitt, CCE Board of Directors

Guests can expect an uplifting afternoon filled with meaning and heart. From the moment you arrive, you'll feel the energy that fills The Foundations School every day. You'll hear from students, enjoy lunch with community leaders, and help celebrate CCE's growth with our playground dedication.

Susan Telesko

We designed this luncheon to be more than an event it's a chance to see innovation in action and feel the joy of helping shape the next generation of thinkers and dreamers.

Mayor Danielle H. Moore, Town of Palm Beach

"I'm looking forward to my conversation with The Foundations School students," said Mayor Moore. "It's inspiring to see young people learning about civics and government in such an engaging way. Their curiosity reminds us that good citizenship begins in the classroom."

WHY SHOULD PHILANTHROPISTS PUSH EDUCATION REFORM TO THE TOP OF THEIR PRIORITY LIST?

Jonathon Ortiz-Smykla

When philanthropists champion education reform, they don't just change one classroom they spark progress that can influence education nationwide. The Foundations School is a living example of what's possible when vision and investment meet action.

Bob Hamon

Education drives everything. When students succeed, families and communities thrive. Yet too often, public systems remain rigid and under-resourced, especially for children needing the most support. At CCE, we believe innovation, creativity, and accountability can build a stronger model for learning that meets the needs of today's students and tomorrow's leaders.

WHO ELSE SUPPORTS THE SUSAN AND DOM TELESKO CENTER FOR CREATIVE EDUCATION AND THE FOUNDATIONS SCHOOL?

Jonathon Ortiz-Smykla

We're grateful for the leadership of our *Thanks for Giving* Luncheon Co-Chairs, Pauline Pitt and Susan Telesko, and the early support of Citizens Private Bank. Our Host Committee Rena & John Blades, Joseph Paul Davis, Sharon Jacquet, Amy & Ron Kochman, Michele Kukla, Pam & Brad Miller, Deborah Montaperto, Alexandra Rajegowda, Laura Rehnert, Eddie Schmidt & Ozzie Medeiros, and Margaret & Christopher Sinclair has built excitement for this event. We also thank our Board of Directors for their advocacy and leadership.

HOW CAN READERS PURCHASE TICKETS OR LEARN MORE ABOUT THE EVENT AND THE SUSAN AND DOM TELESKO CENTER FOR CREATIVE EDUCATION?

Jonathon Ortiz-Smykla

Tickets for the *Thanks for Giving* Luncheon are \$450 per person or \$5,000 per table. Sponsorship opportunities are available for those who wish to deepen their impact and visibility. To reserve your seat, visit cceflorida.org/thanks-for-giving-luncheon or call 561.805.9927.

For more information about CCE's mission, programs, and impact or to schedule a campus tour please visit cceflorida.org or email info@cceflorida.org. We welcome everyone to see what's happening inside our classrooms. Once you do, you'll understand why we believe this is where the future of education is being written.



Fall Luncheon Co-Chair
Susan Telesko
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